MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS HOUSING BOARD MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2014 AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

CHAIRMAN:

Alfonso E. Ortiz, Jr.

COMMISSIONERS:

Ember Davis

Vincent Howell David L. Romero

Tonita Gurule-Giroń – Arrived at 5:31 p.m.

Joey Herrera – Arrived at 5:47

ALSO PRESENT:

Tim Dodge, City Attorney

Maire Lopez, Recorder

Juan Montano, Sergeant At Arms

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Ortiz Jr. asked for a moment of silence to remember our freedom and to take advantage of that freedom to do good for our community.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Vincent Howell made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Ember Davis seconded the motion.

Commissioner Tonita Gurule-Giroń Yes
Commissioner Vincent Howell Yes
Commissioner David L. Romero Yes
Commissioner Ember Davis Yes

Recorder Maire Lopez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the minutes for March 7, 2014. Commissioner Romero seconded the motion.

Mayor Ortiz, Jr. asked for roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following:

Commissioner Ember Davis	Yes
Commissioner Vincent Howell	Yes
Commissioner Tonita Gurule-Giroń	Yes
Commissioner David L. Romero	Yes

Recorder Maire Lopez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

None at this time.

PRESENTATIONS

Finance Director Ann Marie Gallegos gave an update on the Housing Department operating budget ending April 2014. The department's revenues were at seventy nine percent and expenditures were slightly above eighty three percent.

Commissioner Gurule-Giroń had questions on the operating expenses on the year to date budget.

Finance Director Ann Marie Gallegos clarified the questions on the operating expenses and stated they were going towards maintenance costs for the department.

HOUSING DIRECTOR'S INFORMATIONAL MONTHLY REPORT

Housing Director Pamela Marrujo gave a brief overview of the accomplishments made by the Housing Department concerning the Homeownership Program and spoke about future developments of additional housing units.

Chairman Ortiz Jr. expressed what a major accomplishment this was for the Housing Department.

Housing Director Pamela Marrujo gave a brief summary on plans for remodeling seven of thirty one boarded up units that are currently unoccupied in the areas of Cholla, Sandoval and Yucca Streets.

Commissioner had questions and concerns on the re-payment plans on the remaining balance of the twenty three thousand dollars.

City Manager Dodge addressed the questions and concerns.

Commissioner Howell had questions and concerns regarding housing vacancies and future development of housing.

Housing Director Pamela Marrujo addressed the questions and concerns.

Commissioner Gurule-Giroń had a question on the timeline for the twenty unit development project.

City Manager Dodge advised that the project was in its early stages but advised that Housing Director Marrujo would obtain the information to determine a timeline.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner requested to meet with Housing Director Marrujo regarding issues on housing vacancies.

City Manager Dodge recommended that Housing Director Marrujo contact H.U.D to clarify the process before meeting with council.

Commissioner Gurule-Giroń had questions on the status of the priority list for improvements on the Apache projects.

City Manager Dodge advised that the Housing Maintenance Manager would attend the next meeting and would have a detailed report of the Apache projects improvement project.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Housing Director Marrujo advised there was no need for Executive Session.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Gurule-Giroń made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion.

Mayor Ortiz, Jr. asked for roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following:

Commissioner Ember Davis	Yes
Commissioner David L. Romero	Yes
Commissioner Joey Herrera	Yes
Commissioner Vincent Howell	Yes
Commissioner Tonita Gurule-Giroń	Yes

Recorder Maire Lopez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

Alfonso E. Ortiz, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

ity Clerk Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk